

DAZ TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION

Knows of no Culpability on His Part But Acts For the Welfare of the Country

LETTER TO CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES

Silence Follows Acceptance of the Resignation in the Chamber, But There Were Enthusiastic Demonstrations in the Streets—De La Barra is Provisional President and Madero Now in Military Control.

Mexico City, May 25.—President Porfirio Diaz, in a letter read by the president of the chamber of deputies, this afternoon, resigned the presidency of the republic of Mexico, and at 4:54 o'clock the acceptance of the resignation by the deputies was announced.

Diaz's Letter of Resignation.

The letter is as follows: "Sir: The Mexican people who generously have covered me with honors, who proclaimed me as their leader during the international war, who patriotically assisted me in all works undertaken to develop industry and the commerce of the republic, establish its credit, gain for it the respect of the world, and obtain for it an honorable position in the concert of nations; that same people, sir, has revolted in arms, military and naval, against my presence in the exercise of the supreme executive power is the cause of this insurrection.

Knows No Culpability on His Part.

"I do not know of any fact imputable to me which could have caused this social phenomenon, but permitting though not admitting that I may be unwittingly culpable, such a possibility makes me the least able to reason out and decide my own culpability.

Resigns Out of Respect for Will of the People.

"Therefore, respecting as I have always respected, the will of the people and in accordance with the federal constitution, I come before the supreme representatives of the nation in order to resign, irreservably, the office of constitutional president of the republic with which the national vote honored me, which I do with all the more reason in that I have been in office it would be necessary to shed Mexican blood, endangering the credit of the country, dissipating its wealth, exhausting its resources and exposing its policy to international complications.

Hopes for a Correct Acknowledgment

"I hope, gentlemen, that when the passions which are inherent to all revolutions have been calmed, a more conscientious and just spirit will bring out in the national mind a correct judgment, which, when I die, I may carry gravely on my soul as a just estimate of the life I have devoted and will devote to my countrymen.

With all respect, "PORFIRIO DIAZ."

Cerral's Resignation Also Accepted. Vice President Ramon Cerral's resignation was also accepted and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Francisco Leon de la Barra was chosen provisional president to serve until a general election can be held. Everyone had expected an uproar when the announcement should be made, but within the chamber the words announcing the event were followed by silence. The deputies seemed awed by what had taken place.

Wild Shouting in Streets.

In the streets, black with people, the news that Diaz was no longer the president was the signal for wild shouting and manifestations.

Juarez Gave No Expression.

There was no violence or destruction of property. On the contrary, the president's resignation, 167 deputies voted aye, while no expression was made by Benito Juarez, a co-adjutant of Diaz, who was in the conception Delvalle. As their names were called, all other legislators rose and bowed their affirmation.

De La Barra Chosen Provisional President.

In similar fashion the resignation of Vice President Cerral, now in France, was unanimously accepted and similarly Senator De La Barra, minister and ambassador to Washington, was chosen provisional president. Senator De La Barra will take the oath of office at noon tomorrow in the Yellow parlor of the National palace.

Madero Representative Assumes Military Control.

Of scarcely less popular interest than the resignation was the assumption of military control of the federal district of Alfredo Robles Dominguez, Madero's personal representative, insuring the handling of popular demonstrations by a leader of the new regime.

Federal Garrison Under His Orders.

Personally, Dominguez commands only a small body of local rebels, but the federal garrison is under orders to make no move whatsoever without his approval. "Senator Dominguez said he could bring five thousand organized rebel troops into the city within three hours. Their baggage and horses are aboard trains, and will be taken to the government, at Cuernavaca, Pachuca and Toluca.

No Immediate Movement of Troops.

Dominguez tonight said that the troops would remain at their present stations until they should be needed in Mexico City to control the situation.

A Dramatic Speech.

The dramatic speech of the day was made by Deputy Jose Aspa. In introducing the president's letter of resignation, Deputy Aspa made a brilliant oratorical effort. His voice was repeatedly drowned by applause and the floor fairly shook with the demonstration that followed his peroration: "President Porfirio Diaz is dead. Long live Citizen Porfirio Diaz."

Streets Jammed With People.

Every entrance to the chamber and all street approaches were guarded by heavily armed mounted police. Only those who came hours ahead of time got within this cordon. Those admitted were quiet and well behaved. Outside the line of police, the throng cheered itself hoarse, but gave the chamber no trouble. Street cars running past the chamber were compelled to stop by the density of the crowd and car roofs swarmed with eager spectators.

Bells Ring, Cannons Discharged.

To the city generally the acceptance of the resignation of the president was announced by the clanging of the bells of the cathedral and two discharges of cannon. For many blocks on either side of the chamber the streets were black with people. Great crowds were scattered over the Zocalo when the ringing

Cabled Paragraphs

London, May 25.—An aviation pupil named Benson was killed at Hendon today. An aeroplane which he was piloting capsized while he was attempting to make a turn.

Edinburgh, Scotland, May 25.—Lord applause welcomed the message received from President Taft on the subject of Anglo-American arbitration which was delivered to the general assembly of the church of Scotland here today by Dr. J. A. MacDonald of Toronto.

Copenhagen, May 25.—Copenhagen turned out today to greet the second division of the United States Atlantic fleet, under command of Rear Admiral Badger, which arrived this morning for a week's visit. A gun salute was exchanged by the American squadron and the land batteries.

London, May 25.—Provisional figures returned by the census officers give the population of England and Wales this year as 36,075,269, compared with 32,578,442 in 1901. While most of the cities and counties show an increase, there are many cases, particularly in Wales, where there has been a decrease. Greater London's population has increased to 7,552,953 from 5,881,402 in 1901.

Quisenberry, May 25.—Divers today examined the Cunard liner Ivernia, which was beached off Whitegate yesterday, after having struck Daurt Rock while bound here from Boston with 728 passengers. It was found that ten feet of the vessel's plating had been opened about the collision bulkheads. At high water the main deck was submerged. Four compartments are filled with water and all of the others, except one, are partly flooded.

WOMAN SPENDS NIGHT IN DEEP POSTHOLE.

Heroic Measures to Prevent Electric Light Pole Being Located There.

New York, May 25.—At midnight tonight Mrs. Catherine Peliger was standing on a back deck in a north side front of the lawn of her mother's home at Union course, Queens borough, while half a dozen laborers were waiting near by for her to come out so that they might dig up an electric light pole at the spot where she was standing. She had relieved her mother, Mrs. Peter Schlerer, at 7:30 o'clock tonight and announced that she would stand in the hole all night.

Mrs. Schlerer entered the posthole at 7:30 this morning, shortly before the king of workmen arrived. She had protested against the location of the pole in front of her property, but a permit had been granted the Queens County Electric Light company notwithstanding her objection. She declared she and her daughter would stand in the hole as long as necessary to prevent the erection of the pole.

Officers at Union who were appealed to this afternoon announced that they would arrest the person who caused violence. Mrs. Schlerer fainted when she left the posthole tonight.

WOMAN HEAVILY FINED FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT.

Claimed She Was Not Served With a Court Order.

New York, May 25.—What was said to be the most sensational case of contempt recorded in this state against a woman was imposed today by Justice Schumaker in the city court. Mrs. Sophie Schumaker, a real estate dealer, was fined \$1,000 and she was ordered to pay \$1,000, which includes a judgment of \$1,428 against her husband.

Mrs. Shapiro's failure to make good her declaration that she could produce 25 witnesses to prove she was molesting at a time when she was alleged to have been served with a court order to appear in court, was the basis of the order. She was given an opportunity to prove that she had not been served, but produced no witnesses to substantiate her claims.

ONE CHILD DIES FROM ITS MOTHER'S ATTACK.

No Hope Held Out for Recovery of Others by Hospital Officials.

Providence, R. I., May 25.—One death has resulted from the frenzied attack of Mrs. Beatrice Potter on her three children last night, when she beat the heads of the helpless little ones with her fists. Officials at the hospital state that there is no possible hope for the recovery of the other children, whose heads were battered beyond recognition by the demented mother.

HETTY GREEN MAKES BIG PROFIT IN REAL ESTATE.

Land She Acquired in 1877 for \$196,000 Sells for \$1,000,000.

Chicago, May 25.—Mrs. Hetty Green of New York has sold 430 acres of unimproved land in the southwestern part of this city for approximately \$1,000,000. She acquired the tract under foreclosure in 1877 for \$196,000.

Mrs. Green has large real estate holdings in various parts of the city and it is said her son, Edward H. R. Green, who is now here, will dispose of all the unproductive property.

HOTTEST MAY DAY IN HISTORY OF CHICAGO.

With the Thermometer at 94, Hotter Weather Expected Today.

Chicago, May 25.—Today was the hottest May day ever known in Chicago. The thermometer stood at 94 degrees at 3 o'clock, the hottest previous record being 93 degrees on May 31, 1895. The government forecaster announced that no rain was in sight and that even warmer weather might be expected tomorrow.

OBITUARY.

George Rees. St. Joseph, Mo., May 25.—George Rees, publisher of Mark Twain's first writings, died today, aged 78 years. Rees published the Consultation at Keokuk Ia. before the Civil war. Samuel L. Clemens was a printer for the paper. Rees published a series of letters written by Clemens from adjacent Iowa towns, giving the humorist a start in literature.

Steamship Arrivals.

Rotterdam, May 23, Campanello, New York.

Plymouth, May 25, Noordam, New York.

New York, Adriatic, from New York.

At Barcelona, May 22, Buenos Aires, from New York.

At Pavia, May 22, Argentina, from New York.

Earthquake in Ionian Islands.

Athens, May 25.—An earthquake has occurred at Santa Maura, or Leucadia, one of the Ionian Islands. Many houses have been destroyed and a large number of persons injured.

Condensed Telegrams

Baseball Pools Have Been suppressed at Boston, Mass., and Bristol, Conn.

Andrew Mack May Return to the legitimate stage next season in a new play.

The Police of Portland, Me., have begun a crusade against disorderly houses.

The Borough Board of West Haven voted to buy an automobile fire engine for \$7,500.

Vandals Played Havoc with the organ in the Eighth street synagogue, in New York.

The Second Division of the United States Atlantic fleet arrived off the Danish coast.

Mrs. Henry Nye of South Coventry has a hen that has spurs and crows like a rooster.

A Plot Has Been Discovered at Peking to assassinate the emperor and the entire court.

Women Hereafter Will Have the right of franchise in the Episcopal churches of Chicago.

Col. Thomas M. Wood, Commanding the marine barracks at Boston, was placed on the retired list.

Russia Has Sent a Note to Turkey demanding that the menacing of Montenegro territory be stopped.

Conductor Louis Sherwent of Derby, who was knocked off the running board of his car, is now out of danger.

Barton W. Edermann of Indiana has been appointed by President Taft commissioner of international fisheries.

The New Home for Aged and infirm members of the Masonic order in Massachusetts was dedicated at Chariton yesterday.

The Mexican Government has complained to Madrid that the armistice and peace pact have been violated in six states.

Secretary of War Stimson delivered an address favoring reciprocity with Canada before the Intercolonial club of Boston.

E. J. MacDonald, an Attorney, shot and killed his wife, Mrs. Gertrude MacDonald, in the Colorado building, at Washington.

The Western Trip of Governor Wilson of New Jersey may cause him to lose his month's salary as state executive, about \$300.

The Bridgeport Park Board has provided for band concerts at the public parks on Saturdays and Sundays during the summer.

Rhode Island Was Deluged by one of the heaviest rainstorms of the year, accompanied by thunder and lightning, yesterday afternoon.

President F. A. Delano of the Washash railroad suggests that the newspapers be regulated by the interstate commerce commission.

The Will of George Eugene Bertin, who died at Tunis Dec. 32 last, bequeaths \$100,000 to the Children's Seashore House of New Jersey.

The United States Battleship Delaware will be the largest warship at the British coronation naval review, surpassing England's greatest ship.

George W. Watrous of Waterbury has been boomed for grand treasurer of the Royal Arcanum, to succeed Burton G. Bryan, who died a few days ago.

Dr. Jacob H. Hollander of Baltimore, who negotiated the settlement of the debt of the Dominican republic, justified his fees before the house committee.

The Homestead of Paul Revere was badly damaged and an old powder mill built in Revolutionary days was destroyed in a \$30,000 fire at Sharon, Mass.

Edwin O. Morgan Was Confirmed by the senate to be minister to Portugal.

Postmaster General Hitchcock has designated 50 additional post offices.

First Announcement of the Plans of the Carnegie endowment for international peace were made at the opening session of the Lake Mohonk peace conference.

Armed Deputy Marshals were summoned to the federal court's building in New York to protect Judge Holt from a mob of angry Italians in the corridors.

A Dozen Guests and Employees escaped without injury, but some of them heavily clad, when George's hotel at Thomaston, Me., was destroyed by fire yesterday.

From Manufacturing Brooms to keeping and selling poultry is the wide jump which is to be taken by the Imperial Broom Manufacturing company of Providence.

William R. Hearst Declares His First choice for the democratic nominee for the presidency is Champ Clark, and that Taft is the logical candidate of the republicans.

The Cunard Line Steamer Ivernia, from Boston for Liverpool, struck Daurt Rock during a fog and is in a leaking condition. The 728 passengers were safely landed.

Four of the Nine Students who were expelled from Ohio Northern university Tuesday because of a prize fight were reinstated by President A. E. Smith, following a strike of 800 students.

The Execution of Roger Warren at Frankfort yesterday will probably be the last legal hanging in Kentucky, as the law now requires all men condemned to death to be electrocuted.

General Bonilla, leader of the recent revolution in Honduras, has received an enthusiastic welcome at the capital, but the country for the present is peaceful.

Six Persons Were Struck by Lightning and rendered unconscious while kneeling at the altar in the Roman Catholic church at St. Cecil de Matashum, 30 miles from Ottawa. The church and convent burned down.

Employees in the New York Office of the Standard Oil company have been asked to take their vacations early this year, so that when the time comes to put into effect the plans of reorganization now under consideration they will all be on hand.

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